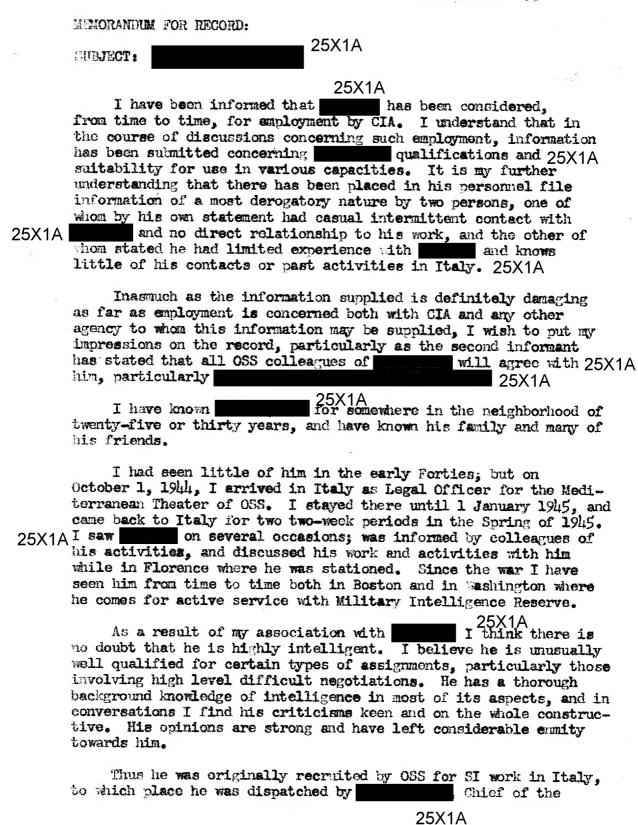
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25X1A Italian desk in ashington, to work with the Italian SI chief in the field. On reaching Italy shortly after landings in Salerno, he dis-25X1A puted bitterly with the proposed plans for Italian SI and, in effect, refused to work with under his concept 25X1A 25X1A of his operation. was therefore transferred, as I recall, to SO and did liaison work with the Fifth and Eighth Armies in connection with a gent operations through the lines. I have heard him express himself strongly about all the 25X1A activities of Italian SI as long as was in charge, and 25X1A I have also heard and others of the Italian SI On the whole I believe he per-25X1A Section speak bitterly of formed his OSS duties in Italy capably, but this opinion is based mainly on discussions with his associates. However, I have reason 25X1A to believe that who was his Commanding Officer, Company D, in Sienna will support this opinion, and I have great 25X1A confidence in 25X1A judgment. I believe also thinks well of capabilities when assigned to a suit-25X1A able job. speak highly 2 of him and believe that Paterni is still in Washington at the Secret speak highly 25X1A Service in the Treasury. was accused of snobishness in his Italian connections, 25X1A and it is quite true that most of his family relationships and friendships were among the minor aristocracy and well-to-do landowners. I personally felt, however, that he was knowledgeable about all classes and seemed to be on friendly relationships with those he worked with. If there is a tendency towards snobishness, I do believe that it is such that it would not interfere with his work. I believe he is loyal to the United States, and his motivation is

indicated by the fact that he has maintained his reserve position and active status performing regular tours of duty both before and

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